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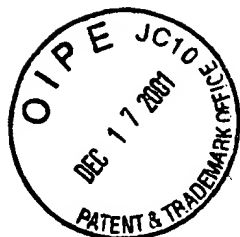
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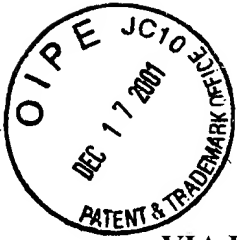
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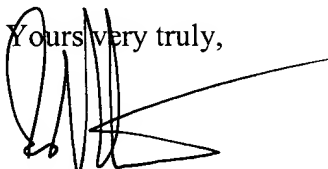
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Dear Sir:

Enclosed herewith please find a set of substitute drawings in response to the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers issued in regard to the above application. The substitute drawings are believed to be in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.84 and have been timely submitted in response to the Notice. Also enclosed find a copy of the Notice to File Corrected Application Papers.

Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in this matter. Please do not hesitate to call if you have any questions.

Yours very truly,

  
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